

# The New Direction Congress:

## Restoring the American Dream



### Health Care For 10 Million Children

The State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) is a bipartisan and cost-effective way to meet the health care needs of children of families struggling to make ends meet.

The President opposed a fair, bipartisan compromise to continue the program and sign up more children. In vetoing the compromise legislation, the President, and his Congressional allies who upheld his veto, opposed the will of the American people, a wide-ranging coalition of doctors and other health care providers, disease advocacy groups, children's advocates, including the March of Dimes and Easter Seals and long-time supporters of SCHIP in both parties.

The 110th Congress is committed to providing health and well-being of 10 million children. The principles of this effort include:

- ★ Protecting coverage for the more than 6 million children already enrolled, and enrolling 4 million more children who are already eligible but lack health coverage now;
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- ★ Helping families of 10 million children avoid bankruptcy and foreclosure on their homes under the crushing
- ★ Saving taxpayer dollars that are spent now providing the most expensive care possible to uninsured children, in hospital emergency rooms.